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- 1. Chinese Communists state that taking Taiwan is the first priority objective. Action against Indochina will await the Taiwan assault because Soviet advisers are obvosed to activity against Indochina at the present time (
- Conscripting has ceased in all but CHEN Yi's area, where the numbers drafted are still being increased. The Communists plan an invasion force of one million and are prepared for 70 percent losses.
- Amphibious training originally carried out in the Tai Lake area was recently moved to the Fukien coast because of an outbreak of illness supposedly caused by polluted lake water. Troops are given daily training in swimming and in handling small boats.
- The Communists will not employ their air force until they are ready to invade 25X1C Taiwan.

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LIU Po-cheng and a portion of his forces are now on the East China coast preparing for the invasion of Taiwan. **

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6. Farly in Nebruary 19

Early in February 1950 the Communists conscripted a "large number" of merchant sailors in Shanghai and dispatched them immediately to Dairen for training.***

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Comment. Informant is in a position to obtain this information.

** Comment. The command relationship between LIU and CHEN is not known.

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* Comment. Perhaps the sailors are to be used to man boats built in Dairen; see

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